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## STATE BOARD WILL STRIVE TO STAMP OUT DRUG ABUSES

Victims of the "Bing" Habit Here May Be Counted by the Hundreds

Pharmacy Commissioners Will Revoke on Specific Complaint Claiming Discretionary Power

President John A. Levery of the State Board of Pharmacy Commissioners stated to a Farmer reporter today that the board stands ready to act against the sale of opium, heroin and other enervating drugs in cases where specific charges are brought. The board takes jurisdiction upon the ground that it has discretionary power when license conditions have been violated.

There is no law in this State against the sale of morphine or its derivatives but the board is of the opinion that the pharmacy laws are not intended to provide a means for victims of drug habits to purchase drugs with impunity.

Concerning the recent case in this city where the board took action President Levery stated: "We would not have been able to take action if specific charges had not been made. There is no doubt there are a large number of heroin users in Connecticut, but the sellers of the stuff (if druggists) cannot be punished beyond the revocation of their pharmacy licenses until the legislature enacts a statute similar to the cocaine law."

"The crusade being conducted in New York against heroin has made this state a haven for the users of the drug. New Haven has passed an ordinance against the sale of the stuff and the result is that the users are coming to Bridgeport to purchase."

"Already there is a substitute for heroin on the market. It is called 'dionin' (ethyl morphine hydrochlorate) and the law that does not cover all drugs of a morphine derivative will have little effect in stamping out the sale."

"I understand that the Bridgeport aldermen are to pass an ordinance at its next meeting. If they specify heroin alone and do not specify all drugs of a morphine derivative they will leave loopholes for the users to crawl through."

"Bing" is the slang name of the drug used by the drug slaves here. It is estimated that there are between 300 and 400 users of the drug in this city. Its use is said to have been first introduced here by habitues of the underworld, who taught the possibilities of producing soothing sensations to young men and boys they met in lunch rooms and pool and billiard halls. The drug users are now said to be found among factory workers and clerks who carry the stuff in the sawed off tubes of fountain pens.

Heroin is said to produce a feeling that makes the user feel as though he owned the world and its users loose their appetite for food while their craving for tobacco in cigarette form increases. Increased doses are needed from time to time to satisfy the desires. The stuff is expensive and one young man who is employed in a West End factory recently went to New York and bought \$18 worth of the stuff, spending his entire pay for a week in order to have a supply on hand.

Rarely a month passes without at least one death in this city directly traceable to the ravages of the drug habit.

## TO HOLD BENEFIT DANCE FOR WM. LAURENCE, FRIDAY

Big Entertainment Program to Help Athlete Who is Very Ill.

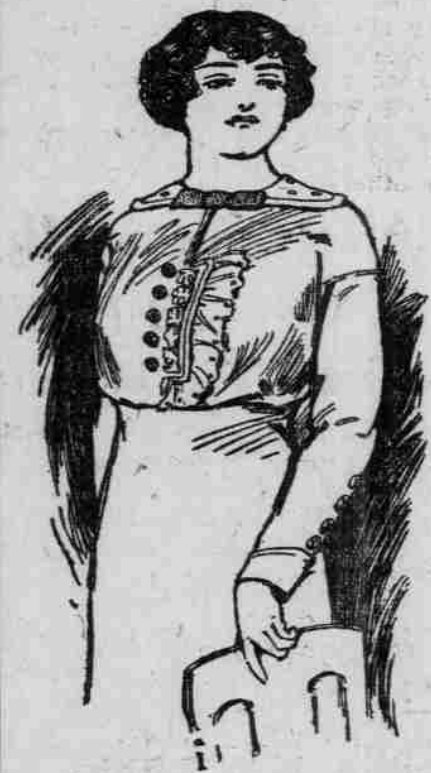
A benefit dance will be held Friday evening at St. Joseph's hall, Barnum avenue, for the benefit of William Laurence. Mr. Laurence until his recent illness was employed at the Birdsey & Somers factory and it is his fellow-workmen who are in charge of the benefit.

Mr. Laurence is perhaps remembered better to the sporting public through his connection with the Birdsey & Somers baseball team of which organization he was a member during the season in which they captured the Factory League championship, and also their first season in the Industrial League. The members of both leagues should turn out in large numbers to show their appreciation for the past work of Mr. Laurence. Spiedel's orchestra will furnish the music and this should assure all who attend a good time.

The St. Joseph's T. B. & L. Association have donated the use of their hall

free of charge in recognition of the good cause. The following entertainers have offered their services to make the musical entertainment a success: Misses E. Mevins, I. Havirika, and the Messrs. C. Canning, J. Miller, J. Hughes and William Toney. Chris McMahon, who will conduct the musical end, would like to hear from others who would care to offer their help in this line.

This is a worthy cause and as Mr. Laurence did his share to help along sports in the city, the sporting elements should turn out in large numbers and assist in making the evening a success. The entire proceeds will be turned over to Mr. Laurence and will greatly assist in defraying the heavy expense incurred by his illness. Tickets can be purchased from the employees of the Birdsey & Somers factory or at the door of the hall.



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## Women Dragged From Building In \$200,000 Fire Today

Pittsburgh, Dec. 13.—Probably a dozen people were severely injured today when a costly and spectacular fire destroyed the building on the North Side known as Library Place, occupied by more than 200 persons. Twelve storerooms on the first floor were destroyed.

Many of the occupants of the building threw themselves from windows or crept to safety on swaying ladders. The intense cold added to the suffering. Fourteen women were rescued from the fourth floor. The fire department was kept on the jump by a series of alarms from smaller fires

throughout the city. The fire started in a printshop in the basement and soon shot up the elevator shaft of the four story building.

Nine persons, including four firemen and a policeman, hurt when the cornice of the structure fell, were hurried to the Allegheny Hospital. Several persons were reported missing but all are thought to have escaped.

The building was erected forty years ago. Women and children in the three upper floors became hysterical and had to be dragged to safety. One woman was dragged out of her room but she insisted on returning for her hat.

Mrs. E. W. Miller, 46, was unconscious and her clothing and hair were in flames when dragged from her room by Policeman Kerr. The loss may reach \$200,000.

Firemen were fighting hard to prevent the flames from spreading to other buildings.

Farmer Want Ads 1c a word

## First Degree Murder Is Verdict Against Slayer Of His Fiancee

Ebensburg, Pa., Dec. 13.—George Henderson, youthful slayer of Miss Fern Davis, the Johnstown choir singer, his fiancée, almost fainted when he finally heard the verdict of "first degree" murder from the jury, early today.

Although it was after midnight when the 12 men arrived at a verdict, the courtroom was crowded. The young man, who last May 8th beat the girl over the head, was very much unnerved.

Judge Stevens gave the attorneys for the defense four days in which to file an appeal.

Henderson's defense was insanity.



## Opportunity is Knocking

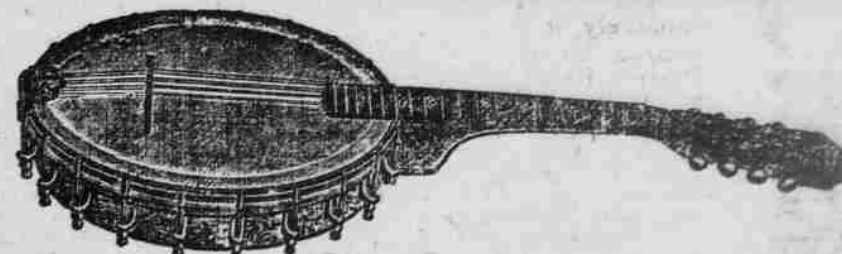
We're not going to do anything rash, but we do want to say a thing or two!

Thing one is, that we're showing the best spread of good things to wear for Men and Boys that the town affords. Suits, Overcoats, Trousers, Headwear and Toggery that will win your admiration at a glance. Styles that will strike you as being entirely different.

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